

HAD LIVED NEARLY 100 YEARS.

Death of Mrs. Eliza F. Belding, Born in Vernon a Month Before the Battle of Waterloo.

Mrs. Eliza Frost Belding died late yesterday afternoon at the home of her son, Elijah Belding, of 15 Edwards street, Springfield, Mass., within one month of her 95th birthday anniversary. Death came as a result of old age weakness following an attack of bronchial pneumonia from which Mrs. Belding barely recovered in March. Although her mind retained its wonted clearness almost to the end, her body gradually failed under the weight of sickness until death came quietly. Until her last illness, Mrs. Belding had retained almost perfect health. The fracture of her hip while on a visit to her son in Fitchburg about 10 years ago, had prevented her from walking abroad, but around the house her remarkable energy and cheerful good humor never failed. Although incapacitated by her injury from forming a large acquaintance in Springfield, which has been her home a large part of the time since the death of her husband in 1890, Mrs. Belding by her kindly interest in all things of the present has won a high place in the hearts of the few with whom she came into contact.

Mrs. Belding was born in Vernon, Vt., in May, 1815, just a month before the battle of Waterloo. The daughter of Jacob and Dolly Frost, prominent residents of that town, she received her education in the local schools. She married Elijah Eastman Belding, a

Vernon boy, who had, however, begun life on a farm in Northfield, Mass., on March 22, 1836. They removed to West Northfield almost immediately afterward and the whole 34 years of Mrs. Belding's married life were passed there. Mr. Belding became one of the most influential farmers of the district and as an extensive hop grower, a member of the Northfield board of selectmen for 14 years and a member of the state legislature on several occasions, was well known all over Massachusetts.

During her residence in Northfield Mrs. Belding was associated with the Unitarian congregation. Since the death of her husband she had made her home alternately with her two sons, Elijah Belding of Springfield and Edgar T. Belding of Fitchburg, spending, however, much the greater part of her time in Springfield. Besides her two sons, Mrs. Belding leaves four grandchildren, Dr. J. Eastman Belding and Representative Everett E. Belding of Springfield, Clarence E. Belding of New York and Edward L. Belding of Boston.

The funeral will be private and will be held at the convenience of the family. The burial will be in Northfield.

BRATTLEBORO LOCAL.

Brattleboro chapter, D. A. R., will attend the Memorial day exercises in the Auditorium.

Rev. Thomas W. Owens will conduct the service at the Retreat chapel Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Rev. E. Q. S. Osgood will conduct the 3 o'clock afternoon service at the Home for the Aged next Sunday.

Baraca class No. 7, of the First Baptist church meets every Sunday at 12 o'clock and extends a cordial invitation to all men to join.

The cartoon-comedy Mutt and Jeff is occupying the attention of theatergoers at the Auditorium this afternoon and will be given another performance tonight.

Fritz Hanson, who wrestled a draw with John Kilonis at Laconia, N. H. last night, injured one hip by being thrown off the stage in the course of the bout.

A continued case against Michae and Alice Flemming for disturbing the peace, which was to have been heard this morning by Judge William R. Bailey, has been postponed two weeks.

The party which has been searching for the body of Fireman William Perry, who disappeared in the Connecticut river in the work. The diver's outfit is in the baggage room at the railroad station ready for use if needed.

Arthur W. Peach will speak in the Universalist church Sunday morning on "The Golden Milestone. There will be special music by the choir, and Mrs. Lamar Costello will sing "There is a Land Mine Eyes Have Seen, by Crossinfield.

From the entrance to the fair grounds for some distance out along the Guilford road a thin sprinkling of oil has been spread on one side of the road. It is not sufficient to lay the dust, by any means. The whole road is to be treated.

There is a village by-law forbidding the riding of bicycles on sidewalks. Numerous individuals are ignoring this and so many complaints are being made that someone will soon be before the court and fined for the continuance of this practice.

L. J. Huntley, who was stricken with a shock at the Grange hall in Guilford Centre Wednesday night, is practically in the same condition. He will be removed to his home this afternoon at 4 o'clock, the ambulance having been sent for that purpose.

The case of Elmer A. Eddy against W. W. Levey went to the jury in county court at Newfane this morning. After the jury returns a verdict this afternoon court will take a recess until Monday afternoon. Either the case of Elwin P. Goodwin against the Central Vermont railroad or that of Richard L. Pollock against the Twin State Gas & Electric company will be taken up at the reconvening of court.

Dr. Harry P. Greene performed the operation of setting the badly fractured arm of Currier Nield at the Memorial hospital this morning, being obliged to fasten the bones together with silver plates. Nield's arm was broken April 1 while working on a big steam shovel on the Hinsdale-Brattleboro railroad construction work. The arm was so badly twisted that it was found impossible to make the bones knit by any other method.

Baraca class No. 7, of the First Baptist church held a game social Wednesday evening in the social rooms of the church. Miss Mary Bane and Miss Jessie Hawley gave a piano duet and Miss Bane also sang. Various games were enjoyed, one of which was called "Description," in which the guests were asked to describe a person. Harold Newell gave a vivid description of Mutt, which was extremely amusing and entertaining. A buffet luncheon was served.

MOTLEY COLLECTION OF RUBBER

Canvass Made Today for Kindergarten Committee of Woman's Club.

About a score of boys canvassed the town today for old rubbers, under direction of the free kindergarten committee of the Woman's club. The results of their labors make a motley collection, but it is valuable as rubber is in great demand. Last year the canvass netted something over \$20. The rubber was sold in Belknap Falls. This year better prices will prevail here and the collection may be sold in this town. It is expected that the receipts will be as much as they were last year, if not more.

BASSETT COUNTY WARDEN.

Halifax Man Named Temporarily by Commissioner Titcomb.

Frank A. Bassett of Halifax has been appointed county fish and game warden for two months by Commissioner John W. Titcomb and will spend that time traveling through Windham county hunting for suitable men for deputy wardens.

WREN TRIAL
ON JUNE 23

Judges Chamberlain and Pike
Refused Continuance
to October

CERTIFICATE AS TO
WIFE'S CONDITION

Expects to Become Mother in June—
State Wants Trial Before Railroad
Employees Depart—Expected Judges
Named Will Preside.

(Special to The Reformer.)

KEENE, N. H., April 26. — Counsel for the state in the case of the trial against John Wren have won in the first clash over the trial of Wren, who is charged with the murder of James S. Hamilton in Hinsdale Feb. 3. The respondent's attorneys wanted to have the trial postponed until October in order to give them more opportunity to investigate as to the evidence and prepare for defending him, but the court has ordered that the trial be begun June 23.

Ray Pickard, of the law firm of Benton & Pickard, and Joseph Madden, who are counsel for Wren, and County Solicitor O. E. Cain and Clerk L. W. Holmes went to Lebanon Thursday for a conference with Judge Robert N. Chamberlain of Berlin and Judge Robert G. Pike of Dover, relative to the date of the trial. As one of the judges had to leave to preside at a trial they waited only long enough to hear the argument of counsel, but said they would confer together and send notice of their decision. This has been done, fixing the date as stated.

One of the arguments in favor of an early trial was that many of the witnesses for the state, being employees on the railroad job between Hinsdale and Brattleboro, which is approaching completion, probably would leave this part of the country by fall, and the only way in which they could be held would be to place them under bonds. Wren's attorneys wanted more time, not only because they felt that an earlier trial would give them inadequate opportunity for preparing the case, but also because they wanted Mrs. Wren, who will not be able to come in June. Attorney Pickard said to the judges a certificate from a physician who attends Mrs. Wren in Halifax, N. S., stating in substance that Mrs. Wren expects to give birth to a child in June.

It is probable that Judge Chamberlain and Judge Pike will preside at the trial. It is expected that the same jurymen who were summoned for the spring term of the superior court here and some others will be called for the murder trial.

PERSONAL.

Oscar Whitney has returned from a visit in Boston.

D. W. Feleh has been in Keene on a business trip this week.

Mrs. Helen A. Bullens has moved to Boston from 27 Green street.

Miss Nina Morse will go to her home in Winhall today to stay until Monday.

H. W. Sanderson moves today from The Princess to The Abbott apartment building.

Mrs. E. P. Houghton and Miss Ruth Hubbard spent yesterday in Springfield, Mass.

Mrs. Serena Hubbard of Walpole has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Stella Ramsey, this week.

Miss Sadie Benson of Adams, Mass., is spending a week with her mother, Mrs. A. L. Benson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Brazier and Mrs. F. E. Willard have been in Springfield, Mass., a part of the week.

Mail Carrier William E. Barber is ill with mumps, and his route is being served by Substitute Edwin F. Lindsey.

Lewis J. Parmenter will return next week from Belknap Falls to serve as substitute letter carrier at the local post office.

Mrs. R. C. Cressy and Mrs. Francis P. Blake will return from Newton, Mass., today to their home at 32 High street.

C. C. Chancy of Newton Highlands, Mass., a former resident of this town, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Boynton.

Miss Nellie M. Hager, night operator at the telephone exchange, is ill with measles and Miss Alice Newell is taking her place.

Mrs. George Adams and daughter, Marion, of Springfield, Mass., are expected today for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Averill.

Mrs. G. H. Hall of Clark street entertained seven women friends Wednesday afternoon in recognition of her birthday anniversary. Five hundred was played and supper was served. Mrs. Hall was the recipient of several gifts.

Mrs. Ernest Rice and three children have gone to Easthampton to spend two weeks at the farm bought by Mr. Rice last fall. Mr. Rice will join them for a visit. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Rice, whose former home was in Watertown, N. Y., are in charge of the place.

Wilbur T. Carney moved his household effects to Brattleboro the last of the week and has entered the employ of the Mellen Hardware company of that place. Mr. Carney came here two and a half years ago from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and had been an efficient worker for the Norton Hardware company.—Fair Haven Era.

THREE MONTHS' WORK
TO COMPLETE LINE

New Railroad Will Not Be Finished
Much Before Aug. 1—Activity
at Doolittle Crossing.

HINSDALE, N. H., April 26. — The railroad workmen now for the most part are busily engaged in putting on the finishing touches on the new road between here and Brattleboro. A three-foot ballast of gravel has been laid on nearly all the line except in the big cut north of the Tavern and the rock cut just beyond. It is estimated now that it will be fully a month before these parts of the road will be down to grade and ready for the rails.

From present indications the new road will not be used for regular service before August 1.

The new station at the Tavern is nearly completed and has already received a coat of paint. The platform will be 200 feet long.

Doolittle's crossing, where the underpass is being put in, is a scene now of great activity, the highway being already down to grade, and the foundations for the abutments of the pass are nearly completed.

The highway will go under the track at an angle of approximately 70 degrees, which means that the curve will necessarily be sharp, especially on the west side where the new highway leaves the present one.

On the east is a deep ravine where a large amount of grading and grading is to be done. The brook which flows in this ravine will run through large iron pipes under this fill. The work at this point will not be finished, it is estimated, within at least two months. The work of macadamizing the new strip of highway has been let to the Lane Construction company.

MINSTRELS A GREAT SUCCESS.

One of Finest Exhibitions in Its Line
Ever Given Here.

One of the most pretentious minstrel shows and theatrical offerings ever attempted by local talent was presented at the opera house last evening under the auspices of the Hinsdale Athletic association. The program was divided into two parts, the minstrel show coming first, filling the house with mirth from the overture until the grand finale, with funny jokes, mostly at the expense of local people, and catchy songs.

There were six gorgeously costumed minstrels, J. E. Scott, Clarence Ryan, N. C. Prince, bones; R. L. Howe, Elizabeth Bruce and Charles Thayer, tambourine, with Robert A. Weeks as intercomedian.

The vocal selections, which were as follows, were well rendered and received well merited applause. "Mind Our Own Business," R. L. Howe; "Heart of Hearts," Madelon Temple; "Make Way for That Broadway Coon," N. C. Prince; "Underneath the Cotton Moon," Florence Ryan; "Remembrance," Wallace Phillips; "When the Sweetest Grow Cold," Grace Roberts; "Mandy, Loo," Charles Thayer; "When the Choo-Choo Leaves for Alabama," Elizabeth Bruce; "The Old Home is the Best Home After All," R. Langworthy; "Kiss Your Honey Bunch Good Night," J. E. Scott. Part two opened with four comedians, who acted with much gusto, giving a skillful exhibition of clog dancing and introducing the famous baseball song. Lyman and Phillips gave the audience a rare treat with a xylophone duet and solo, this being the musical feature of the whole entertainment. R. L. Howe gave an exhibition of fancy coupling which indicated that he is in a class by himself in this line. L. F. Braun entertained delightfully with his mandolin.

This part was brought to a close with the one-act comedy, "An Easy Mark," and no comedy has ever been more satisfactorily presented by local talent. J. E. Scott as Dick Chambers, in whose room the action of the play took place, was never seen to better advantage. R. M. Langworthy as Jack Knowlton, of the baseball team, was excellent and Ray Fletcher, as Harry Rensselaer of the Western College Dramatic club, representing a girl, was exceptionally clever. F. J. Young as Mike Deherly, an instructor in wrestling, was all that could be desired.

William P. Lyman as Elmer De Booth, an escaped lunatic who aspired to be an actor of Shakspearian roles, was better than words can describe. Miss Temple as Miss Dorothy Somers, a commencement guest, and Miss Roberts as Mrs. Vera Somers, Dorothy's mother, could not be improved upon.

W. P. Lyman and R. M. Langworthy deserve a great amount of credit for the success of the evening's entertainment, due to a large extent to their direction of the rehearsals. Three hours of dancing were enjoyed with music by Lyman's orchestra.

Mrs. Frank Lamb was in Greenfield, Mass., Thursday.

W. P. Robertson is driving a new Ford automobile.

W. S. Howe has gone to Boston to stay a few days on business.

Mrs. Nat Butler of Boston is visiting her father, George A. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watson of Northfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Nims last day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearson of Keene visited in town a few days this week.

Mrs. D. A. Owen and daughter, Helen, spent Wednesday and Thursday with friends in Brattleboro.

Two carloads of machinery have been installed in the plant where the Nutter & Barnes company will soon begin operations. Several more carloads are being prepared for shipment from Boston and are due here next week.

PUTNEY.

All those interested in forming a baseball team are requested to meet at the town hall tonight.

Sylvanus Kelley has bought the Gorham place of the heirs. The writings were made Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bugbee were in Boston a few days this week. Ethel Kilburn took Mrs. Bugbee's place at the telephone exchange.

MISS BORDEN
IS IN BOSTON

New York Millionaire Arrived
From New York in Search
of Daughter

MOVEMENTS WITH
DETECTIVES SECRET

But It Was Intimated That They Had
Gone to Hotel for Conference with
the Girl and Her Friends—Disappeared from Sanitarium.

BOSTON, April 26.—The search for Romona Borden, 17, daughter of Gail Borden of New York city, the millionaire manufacturer of condensed milk, was transferred to this city today, following information that had been given, to the effect that the girl with two women companions had been located by private detectives in a Back Bay hotel.

The girl's father arrived from New York early this morning. For a few hours after his arrival the movements of Mr. Borden and the detectives who met him were secret, but it was intimated that they had gone to the Back Bay hotel for a conference with the missing girl and her friends.

One statement given out was to the effect that the hotel where the girl had been located was the Vendome.

The girl disappeared from a private sanitarium in Pompton, N. J., Wednesday.

IN PRECARIOUS CONDITION.

Considerable Mystery About Woman.
Ill in Belknap Falls Hospital.

BELKNA FALLS, April 26. — The condition of the woman who was taken to the Rockingham hospital yesterday afternoon remains about the same and her recovery is still doubtful. The woman, who says she is Mrs. A. J. Barnard, is very reticent, and the police have had difficulty in securing information from her. She says that she lived in Rutland two or three years ago and that her husband is now in Montreal. When she was taken from the room of the Poloplovs brothers on Canal street she was clothed in but a few rags and her condition was pitiable.

She was arrested Tuesday afternoon in North Walpole and after being confined a few hours was released. When she arrived in Belknap Falls hospital she was found lying on a cot at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening and walked the streets until 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, when she felt so ill that she was forced to go to a hotel and hire a room. She registered as Mrs. Smith, Montreal. She remained in the hotel until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and then walked about town several hours. Her clothing was torn and was poor protection. In the evening, she tells the police, she felt exhausted and being without funds went in the Grecks' house, finding the door unlocked, and laid down. She was found by the brothers when they went to the house at 9 o'clock. They notified the police and Chief W. S. Severance and Angus McKinnon went to the room and found her lying on the bed unconscious. She was taken to the hotel and in the afternoon was taken to the hospital.

There are many marks and bruises on her body but she refuses to tell the police how they came there and as she is in such a weakened condition they do not press her for particulars.

WEST BRATTLEBORO.

W. E. Stellman is on a fishing trip to East Dover.

G. Hayden Squires has finished work for W. J. Pentland, jr.

J. R. LeRay has returned from a visit to Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Smith in East Haverhill, Mass.

Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Eastwood of Brandon came yesterday for a brief visit with his mother and uncle, Mrs. Emily Eastwood and H. M. Cutting.

Mrs. J. P. Helyar returned to her home in New Brunswick, N. J., today after a short visit with her mother, Mrs. Helen S. Miller. Mrs. C. C. Barney accompanied her for an indefinite stay.

Leland Covey and Carroll Harris collected a large quantity of old rubber this forenoon for the Brattleboro Woman's club, to be sold for funds to be used towards the support of the free kindergarten.

POPE'S CONDITION IMPROVED.

His Brother, Angelo Sarto, Left the Vatican This Morning.

ROME, Italy, April 26.—The departure of Angelo Sarto, brother of the Pope, from the Vatican this morning, is regarded as a confirmation of the continued improvement in the condition of the Pontiff.

Later the Pope was permitted by his physicians to stand behind the window of his bedroom and watch the American pilgrims crossing the square for their reception by Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal secretary of state, who conducted an audience in the name of the Pope.

TO-NIGHT.

Auditorium—Performance by Mutt and Jeff company.

Masonic temple—Bingham chapter reception to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Guthrie.

SUCCESSFUL BALL BY
TELEPHONE GIRLS

About 150 Couples Besides Many
Spectators in Festival Hall—
Proceeds for Benevolent Work.

The concert and ball given last evening in Festival hall under the auspices of the telephone operators was a success even beyond the anticipation of the executive committee. About 150 couples participated and the gallery was filled with spectators, who went especially to attend the concert given from 8 to 9 o'clock by an orchestra of eight pieces directed by F. C. Leitsinger. A special number of the program was a cornet duet by Sewall Morse of this town and Carl Leitsinger of Boston. E. E. Bagley, trombone, of Keene also assisted in the concert.

The hall was tastefully decorated with blue and white streamers, and bells. A cosy corner was constructed of evergreen boughs, and two booths representing large white bells were attended by Miss Lucy Wallbridge, Miss Cecelia Johnson, Miss Alice Newell and Miss Mildred Alexander, who served punch. A. E. Miller was in charge of the ice cream sale.

Although the affair was not advertised as a dress ball it would suggest an oversight in the account of it if mention were not made of the daintiness of the gowns of the ladies. Seldom has an entertainment been more generously supported. Several who did not attend sent liberal contributions. Through the courtesy of the Estey Organ company a piano from the concern was used.

The executive committee was Mrs. C. S. Squires and Miss Mary E. Toumey. Miss Mabel Snow and Miss Desie Worden were in charge of the decorations and H. C. Shaw was general door director. The net receipts will be used for benevolent work. This is the first public affair to have been given by the operators.

FORGOT TO MAIL
HIS WIFE'S CARDS

Housekeeper Took 18 New Year's
Cards from Husband's Overcoat.
—Lost Check Also Found.

Housecleaning is disastrous for some men. The wife of one business man was going through the annual spring process with thoroughness and found in a coat pocket belonging to her husband 18 New Year's cards she had given him to mail about Christmas time last year. He had an awful time explaining.

A few days ago a well-known citizen who has an office on Main street was surprised by a man who walked into his office and handed him two letters which were mailed to him in the Brattleboro postoffice several months earlier. One contained a check and the other a statement, both of which he had asserted with positiveness that he never received. Upon inquiry it was brought out that the man found the letters in the pocket of an overcoat which he bought of the said well-known citizen.

It is often charged that men forget to mail letters, but few instances come to light where they forget to open the letters they receive.

MEASLES APPEAR
AT MOODY SCHOOL

Disease Quarantined in East Hall,
Where 75 Girls Have Quarters.
—Hope to Prevent Epidemic.

NORTHFIELD, Mass., April 26.—Measles have broken out at Northfield seminary, the widely-known Moody school for girls. At present the disease is confined to East Hall, where about 75 girls make their headquarters, and that hall is under quarantine.

Only one or two cases have developed thus far, but it is almost certain that other girls have been exposed. The management will do everything in its power to prevent the disease spreading to the main student body and causing an epidemic.

WARRANT

The legal voters of the Village of
Brattleboro are hereby notified to meet
at the Town Hall on

Tuesday, the 6th Day
of May

Next, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To receive and act upon the Reports of the Bailiffs, Treasurer and Chief Engineer.

Art. 2. To hear the report of the Charter Committee (so called) relative to furnishing the Village of Brattleboro with a new Charter.

Art. 3. To see if the Village will vote to approve, ratify and adopt an act of the General Assembly of Vermont of 1912, entitled, "An Act to Amend Act No. 254 of 1872, as amended, incorporating the Village of Brattleboro."

Art. 4. To elect all the Village Officers required by law, for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To raise money to defray the expenses of the coming year.

Art. 6. To see what salaries shall be paid the various Village Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see whether the Village of Brattleboro will appropriate a sum of Five Hundred Dollars for a series of Sixteen Concerts to be given within the Village limits, during the ensuing year, by the First Regiment Band of Brattleboro, Vermont.

Art. 8. To see if the legal voters of the Village of Brattleboro will vote to change the name of Elliot street (so called), running from Main street to the Junction of Union, Williams and Frost streets, to Market street.

Art. 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

W. H. PERRY,
Village Clerk.
Brattleboro, April 21, 1913.

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Ten Pounds in Each Kit
PACKED ESPECIALLY
FOR FAMILY USE
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Money sent with the order, and address written plainly.
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of three lots on Oak Grove Park. Two lots on Home St., and one on Corner of Home St. and Parkside Ave. Lots are 66 ft. by 108 feet deep. Will sell for cash or exchange for house in village.

WM. C. HORTON'S AGENCY
75 Main St., Brattleboro, Vt.

Revision of Check List

The Board of Bailiffs and Board of Civil Authority will meet at the office of H. E. Taylor & Son

SATURDAY, MAY 3

at 7:30 p. m., to make any needed changes in the Check List to be used at the Annual Village Meeting to be held Tuesday, May 6, 1913.

W. H. PERRY, Clerk.
Brattleboro, Vt., April 19, 1913.

THE BRATTLEBORO CHINA STORE

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Over 400 different patterns to select from.

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The advantages of a check account are numerous.
Small Savings Accounts are also solicited by the Brattleboro Trust Company.

Regular weekly or monthly deposits in a good bank soon give you a reserve fund to draw upon in case of sickness or trouble.
Deposits go on interest the first of each month.

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